



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1441

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Village of Casa Familia will be a 50-unit affordable supported housing apartment complex fostering community-based housing opportunities for 60 individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and other related disabilities through the provision of features, amenities, and services that benefit this vulnerable population. Additionally, funding will support the construction of an 11,000 sq. ft. community center. The project will offer on-site staff and support services, on a voluntary basis, to promote housing sustainability.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,550,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,050,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,050,000	92%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	250,000	8%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	3,300,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2019-20	0	300,000	2307A	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

☐ Planning ☐ Design ☒ Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 1, 2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

Sept 30, 2024

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

The Village of Casa Familia, Ltd. is the owner. Casa Familia, Inc. is a General Partner of the Village of Casa Familia, Ltd.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Preoccupancy services provided by contracted third party provider, including but not limited to staff recruitment, on-boarding, training, development of IDD appropriate tenant materials, completion of tenant screenings, and service provider staff wages and overhead during lease-up.	500,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Capital funds to construct two garden-style elevator apartment buildings and an 11,000 sq. ft. community center.	2,550,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,050,000

14. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?



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The Village of Casa Familia will be an affordable housing community that fosters housing opportunities for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) and other related disabilities, through the provision of features, amenities, and services that benefit this vulnerable population. This community will provide opportunities for individuals to maximize their independence and supports the federal mandates to transition individuals with IDD, from facility-based settings to community based settings, while providing, educational, and recreational enrichment, inclusion, and opportunities to enhance connectedness, integration, and self sufficiency.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

The requested funds will pay for the cost of construction activities and pre-occupancy services, including staffing, training, accommodation services, and materials to support accommodations that benefit the diverse needs of adults with IDD and other special needs.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

In addition to the offer of tenancy, with the benefit of subsidized rent, in a community-based setting, all applicants will be provided a resident screenings, with the intent of breaking down barriers to community-based housing tenancy and promote housing sustainability. Experienced, trained, support staff will provide all applicant with person-centered accommodations, including but not limited to simplified leases and related materials, direct one-on-one guidance to explain the leasing process and ensure residents understand their responsibilities under their lease, and service coordination to ensure all applicants connect with the resources they need in the greater community, with the goal of ensuring tenant success.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

The target population is adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. The project will offer 50 one and two bedroom apartments offering affordable housing to 60 individuals. Additionally, this project's community center will offer services, including classes and recreational activities, to individuals who do not reside at the Village of Casa Familia.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

This community will enable individuals to live as independently as they are capable, within their economic means, and save many from living in more restrictive environments or homelessness. Additionally, these funds will enable us to create a model, based on best practices, that can be replicated to serve the 1000's of individuals in need in conjunction with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Reimbursement of funds to the state.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name
b. Organization
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number Ext.

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization
b. Municipality and County
c. Organization Type

☐ For Profit Entity



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- ☒ Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- ☐ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (please specify)

d. First Name Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number